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Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

Enclosed are:

- Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (14 pages).
- Formal drawings (2 sheets, Figures 1-3).
- Declaration and Power of Attorney
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- Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
- Request for application not to be published with certification under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
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- Form PTO-1449 with copies of ___ listed reference(s).
- Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).

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